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*VIA HAND DELIVERY AND ECFS*

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Form 481 – Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection, 2013  
WC Dockets No. 10-90 and 11-42

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to sections 54.313(i) and 54.422(c) of the Commission's Rules<sup>1</sup> and the Commission's Public Notice in this proceeding,<sup>2</sup> Tatum Telephone Company ("the Company") hereby submits a copy of its "FCC Form 481 – Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form," which was timely filed with the Universal Service Administrative Company and the appropriate state commission on or before October 15, 2013.

The Company seeks confidential treatment under the Protective Order adopted by the Commission in this proceeding for the financial information included in its report pursuant to

<sup>1</sup> 47 CFR §§54.313 and 54.422.

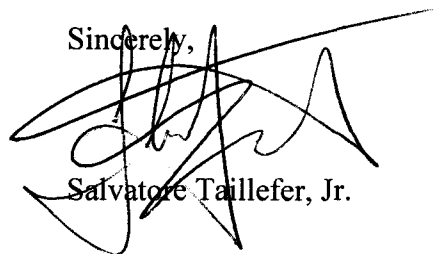
<sup>2</sup> Wireline Competition Bureau Announces Filing Deadline of October 15, 2013 for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers to File High-Cost and Low-Income Annual Reports, PUBLIC NOTICE, WC Dockets No. 10-90 and 11-42, DA 13-1707, released August 6, 2013.

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§54.313(f)(2).<sup>3</sup> Confidential treatment of this information is appropriate on the grounds that it is commercially sensitive information that is not normally released to the public. In accordance with the Protective Order, the Company is submitting two redacted copies and one stamped confidential copy via hand delivery to the Secretary's Office, and two stamped confidential copies via hand delivery to Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-A452, Washington, D.C. 20554. The Company is also submitting a redacted copy via the Electronic Comment Filing System, as directed by the Public Notice.

Due to temporary closure of the Commission's filing window, mail room, and electronic filing systems beginning October 1, 2013, this filing is being submitted on the business day following the day of return to normal operations in accordance with the Commission's Public Notice on filing procedures in the event of a lapse in funding.<sup>4</sup> If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned counsel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Salvatore Taillefer, Jr.", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Salvatore Taillefer, Jr.

Filed: **OCT 18 2013**

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<sup>3</sup> *In the Matter of Connect America Fund, et al.*, PROTECTIVE ORDER, WC Docket No. 10-90, et al., DA 12-1857, released November 16, 2013.

<sup>4</sup> *Procedures for Filings in the Event of a Lapse in Funding*, PUBLIC NOTICE, released October 1, 2013.

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<020> Program Year	2014
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<039> Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	dnobles@townes.net

<b>ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS</b>	<b>54.313</b> Completion Required	<b>54.427</b> Completion Required
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<100> Service Quality Improvement Reporting	(complete attached worksheet)	(check box when complete)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<200> Outage Reporting (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<210> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> -- check box if no outages to report				
<300> Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice)	0		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<310> Detail on Attempts (voice)	(attach descriptive document)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<330> Detail on Attempts (broadband)	(attach descriptive document)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<400> Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<410> Fixed	0.0			
<420> Mobile				
<430> Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broadband)				
<440> Fixed				
<450> Mobile				
<500> Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	(check to indicate certification)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<510> 442150tx510	(attach descriptive document)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<600> Functionality in Emergency Situations	(check to indicate certification)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<610> 442150tx610	(attach descriptive document)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<700> Company Price Offerings (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<710> Company Price Offerings (broadband)	(complete attached worksheet)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<800> Operating Companies and Affiliates	(complete attached worksheet)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<900> Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)?	(if yes, complete attached worksheet)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1000> Voice Services Rate Comparability	(check to indicate certification)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1010>	(attach descriptive document)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1100> Terrestrial Backhaul (Y/N)?	(if not, check to indicate certification)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1110>	(complete attached worksheet)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1200> Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	(complete attached worksheet)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

<2000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<2005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet

<3000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<3005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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<b>(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting Data Collection Form</b>	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	dnobles@townes.net
<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<111>	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

Name of Attached Document (.pdf)

Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

- <113> Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets
- <114> Report how much universal service (USF) support was received
- <115> How (USF) was used to improve service quality
- <116> How (USF) was used to improve service coverage
- <117> How (USF) was used to improve service capacity
- <118> Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.


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(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)  
Data Collection Form

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(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data  
Data Collection Form

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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2013
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	

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(710) Broadband Price Offerings  
Data Collection Form

FCC Form 481  
OMB Control No. 3068-0986/OMB Control No. 3050-0819  
July 2013

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<015>	Study Area Name	TATUM TEL CO
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<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> dnobles@townes.net

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(800) Operating Companies  
Data Collection Form

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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Tatum Telephone Company
<811>	Holding Company	Townes Telecommunications, Inc.
<812>	Operating Company	N/A

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## (900) Tribal Lands Reporting Data Collection Form

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<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Name of Attached Document (.pdf)

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached PDF, on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions;
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select (Yes, No, NA)

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(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting  
Data Collection Form

FCC Form 481

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<1120> Please check this box to confirm no terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G) ☐

<1130> Please check this box to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G) ☐

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(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers Lifeline Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans	442150tx1210
	Name of attached document (.pdf)

<1220> Link to Public Website	HTTP
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"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

<1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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<b>(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation</b> <b>Data Collection Form</b> <i>Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers</i>	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0985/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e) the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

**Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting**

- <2010> 2nd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)} ☐
- <2011> 3rd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2)} ☐

**Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification {47 CFR § 54.312(a)}**

- <2012> 2013 Frozen Support Certification ☐
- <2013> 2014 Frozen Support Certification ☐
- <2014> 2015 Frozen Support Certification ☐
- <2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification ☐

**Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}**

- <2016> Certification Support Used to Build Broadband ☐

**Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}**

- <2017> 3rd year Broadband Service Certification ☐
- <2018> 5th year Broadband Service Certification ☐
- <2019> Interim Progress Certification ☐
- <2020> Please check the box to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. ☐
- <2021> Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions ☐

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information \_\_\_\_\_

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<b>(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation</b> <b>Data Collection Form</b>		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

## Progress Report on 5 Year Plan

(3010)	Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)) Please check this box to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3012, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3011)			
(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii))	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes/No)
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))		<input type="checkbox"/> (Yes/No)
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:		
(3015)	Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3016)	PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes/No)
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited?  If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:		
(3019)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3020)	PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3021)	Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit.  If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3022)	Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers,		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3025)	PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	442150tx3026

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<b>Certification - Reporting Carrier Data Collection Form</b>	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:**

<b>Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients</b>	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	TATUM TEL CO
Signature of Authorized Officer:	CERTIFIED ONLINE
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	Deborah Nobles
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	Vice President of Regulatory Affairs
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	904-688-0029
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	442150
Filing Due Date for this form:	10/15/2013
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

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<b>Certification - Agent / Carrier</b> <b>Data Collection Form</b>	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) _____ is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent: _____	
Name of Reporting Carrier: _____	
Signature of Authorized Officer: _____	Date: _____
Printed name of Authorized Officer: _____	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: _____	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: _____	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: _____	Filing Due Date for this form: _____
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: _____	
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	Date: _____
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
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### **Attachments**



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Carrier Name: Tatum Telephone Company  
Carrier SPIN: 143002456  
Carrier SAC: 442150  
Operating State: Texas

Line 510: Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules Compliance

Tatum Telephone Company ("Tatum" or "the Company") complies with the following Texas rules in Administrative Code ("TAC"), Title 16, Part II, Chapter 26 – Substantive Rules Applicable to Telecommunications Service Providers:

Subchapter B. – Customer Service and Protection §26.21- §26.37

Subchapter C. – Infrastructure and Reliability §26.51- §26.57

Subchapter F. – Regulation of Telecommunications Service §26.121 - §26.134

Quarterly Service Quality Reports are submitted by the Company to the Texas Public Utility Commission ("TPUC") in accordance with Subchapter D §26.81. The reports show that Tatum has achieved the service objectives and performance benchmarks established by the TPUC.

Tatum complies with the following federal consumer protection rules and regulations:

FCC 47 C.F.R. §§64.2001-64.2011 – Customer Proprietary Network Information ("CPNI")

FTC 16 C.F.R. §681.2 – Identity Theft Red Flags and Address Discrepancies Under the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003

All customer protection and disclosures established by the Fair Credit Reporting Act (15 U.S.C. §§1681, *et seq.*) and the Truth in Lending Act (15 U.S.C. §§1601, *et seq.*)

The Company has a CPNI Policy Manual detailing and enforcing the requirements of the federal CPNI rules. Each year, the CPNI Compliance Officer (1) communicates with the Company's attorneys and/or consultants regarding CPNI responsibilities, requirements and restrictions; (2) supervises the training of Company employees and agents who use or have access to CPNI; (3) supervises the use, disclosure, distribution or access to the Company's CPNI by independent contractors and joint venture partners; (4) maintains records regarding the use of CPNI in marketing campaigns; and (5) receives, reviews and resolves questions or issues regarding use, disclosure, distribution or provision of access to CPNI. The CPNI Compliance Officer certifies compliance annually with the FCC by March 1.

The Company has an Identity Theft Prevention Program ("the Program") that was approved by the Board of Directors in September 2008. The Board appointed Red Flag Coordinator is responsible for updating the Program as necessary; the day-to-day supervision of the Program; training Company employees regarding their responsibilities with respect to the Program; and responding to employee questions and concerns regarding identity theft or the Program. The Red Flag Coordinator is required to annually prepare an Identity Theft Prevention Program Compliance Report for the Board's approval by October 1. The Identity Theft Prevention Program Compliance Report evaluates the effectiveness of the Program; the nature and extent of the Company's service provider arrangements and their impact on the effectiveness of the

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Program; reports any significant incidents involving identity theft and the Company's response to such incidents; and provides recommendations to the Board for periodic reviews of the Program and the adoption of material changes and other revisions, modifications and updates to the Program.

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Carrier Name: Tatum Telephone Company  
Carrier SPIN: 143002456  
Carrier SAC: 442150  
Operating State: Texas

Line 610: Functionality in Emergency Situations

Tatum Telephone Company ("Tatum" or "the Company") has an Emergency Operations Plan ("EOP" or "the Plan") in accordance with Substantive Rule §26.51(b) of the Texas Public Utility Commission's rules applicable to telecommunications providers, that addresses the requirements for continuity of service and systematic restoration of service after loss of service due to an emergency. The EOP is administered and maintained by a member of senior management of the parent company, Townes Telecommunications, Inc., and is reviewed annually to ensure that each applicable section is accurate and any changes or updates to the Plan are made on a timely basis.

An Emergency Director has been authorized to implement the provisions of the EOP. The Emergency Director conducts training with employees and is responsible for ensuring that all new employees are provided a 30 minute overview of the Plan as part of their orientation. Specific supervisory personnel receive additional intense instructions regarding special areas of the Plan. Annual Tabletop Drills are conducted, in which company personnel are required to run through an emergency scenario, activating the emergency response and service restoration plan.

The Plan established an Emergency Committee made up of senior management and key company personnel, who upon notification by the Emergency Director that a potential emergency exists, convene to declare an emergency, notify affected parties and assume control of restoration of service efforts.

An emergency control center is established at the Company's business office, which is equipped with a back-up power generator and a wireless telephone set. Depending upon the severity and type of emergency and the safety of the emergency location, a control center may be established at the site of the event.

In case of power outages, batteries in the central office will last on average from 4-8 hours depending on how many lines (AMP load) are served at that particular location. The stand-by generator has 24 hour diesel capacity and small generators are available to be put on smaller concentrators if power is lost. The small generators have to be refueled every few hours.

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<812>	Operating Company	N/A

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Line 1210: Terms and Conditions for Lifeline Program Customers

Tatum Telephone Company ("Tatum" or "the Company") complies with the FCC CFR 47 §§54.4, Universal Service Support for Low-Income Customers and the Texas Administrative Code, Title 16, Part 2, chapter 26, subchapter P, rule 26.412 – Lifeline Service program. Lifeline is a non-transferable retail service offering for which qualifying low-income consumers receive a \$9.25 federal discount and a \$3.50 state discount on flat rated basic local telephone service, whether it is purchased on a stand-alone basis or as part of a bundled service that includes voice and data services and optional calling features. Lifeline customers are charged a separate charge for toll calls, but are provided Toll Blocking free of charge if they elect to subscribe to the service. The Lifeline supported services are as shown below:

	Tatum	
Residence Access Line	10.40	
ELCS	3.50	
Federal SLC	6.50	
Total Monthly Rate	20.40	
<b><u>Lifeline Discounts to Total Monthly Rate:</u></b>		
Federal Flat Rate Lifeline Support	(9.25)	<i>FCC 497: Lifeline Worksheet</i>
State Lifeline Support	(3.50)	<i>Form RMT-1" TUSF Worksheet</i>
Total Lifeline Service Monthly Rate	(12.75)	
<b>Net Monthly Local Service for Lifeline Customer</b>	<b>7.65</b>	

Additional Services:

Toll Blocking is free to Lifeline customers who subscribe to this service.

The company is required to include the Lifeline Service Program in their Local Exchange Tariff. The rates for basic local residential service are also contained in the Local Exchange Tariff and the rates for the federal SLC are included in the NECA Tariff No. 5. Changes to any of these rates must be approved by the appropriate regulatory agency.

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**CERTIFICATION**

We hereby certify that the entries in this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Deborah Nobles	10/10/2013
Signature	Date

**PART A. BALANCE SHEET**

ASSETS	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
1. Cash and Equivalents			25. Accounts Payable		
2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund			26. Notes Payable		
3. Affiliates:			27. Advance Billings and Payments		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits		
b. Other Accounts Receivable			29. Current Mat. L/T Debt		
c. Notes Receivable			30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.		
4. Non-Affiliates:			31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			32. Income Taxes Accrued		
b. Other Accounts Receivable			33. Other Taxes Accrued		
c. Notes Receivable			34. Other Current Liabilities		
5. Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)		
6. Material-Regulated			<b>LONG-TERM DEBT</b>		
7. Material-Nonregulated			36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes		
8. Prepayments			37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes		
9. Other Current Assets			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes		
10. Total Current Assets (1 thru 9)			39. Funded Debt-Other		
			40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan		
<b>NONCURRENT ASSETS</b>			41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt		
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies			42. Recquired Debt		
a. Rural Development			43. Obligations Under Capital Lease		
b. Nonrural Development			44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies		
12. Other Investments			45. Other Long-Term Debt		
a. Rural Development			46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)		
b. Nonrural Development			<b>OTHER LIAB. &amp; DEF. CREDITS</b>		
13. Nonregulated Investments			47. Other Long-Term Liabilities		
14. Other Noncurrent Assets			48. Other Deferred Credits		
15. Deferred Charges			49. Other Jurisdictional Differences		
16. Jurisdictional Differences			50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)		
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)			<b>EQUITY</b>		
			51. Cap. Stock Outstanding & Subscribed		
<b>PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT</b>			52. Additional Paid-in-Capital		
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service			53. Treasury Stock		
19. Property Held for Future Use			54. Membership and Cap. Certificates		
20. Plant Under Construction			55. Other Capital		
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill			56. Patronage Capital Credits		
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation			57. Retained Earnings or Margins		
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)			58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)		
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)		

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PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS		
ITEM	PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
1. Local Network Services Revenues		
2. Network Access Services Revenues		
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues		
5. Miscellaneous Revenues		
6. Uncollectible Revenues		
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)		
8. Plant Specific Operations Expense		
9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)		
10. Depreciation Expense		
11. Amortization Expense		
12. Customer Operations Expense		
13. Corporate Operations Expense		
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)		
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)		
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses		
17. State and Local Taxes		
18. Federal Income Taxes		
19. Other Taxes		
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)		
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)		
22. Interest on Funded Debt		
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24. Other Interest Expense		
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)		
27. Nonoperating Net Income		
28. Extraordinary Items		
29. Jurisdictional Differences		
30. Nonregulated Net Income		
31. Total Net Income or margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)		
32. Total Taxes Based on Income		
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year		
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		
35. Dividends Declared (Common)		
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)		
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date		
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
39. Retained Earnings or Margins end-of-Period ((31+33+34)-(35+36+37+38))		
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)		
44. Annual Debt Service Payments		
45. Cash Ratio ((14+20-10-11)/7)		
46. Operating Accrual Ratio ((14+20+26)/7)		
47. TIER ((31+26)/26)		
48. DSCR ((31+26+10+11)/44)		

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PART C. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS	
1. Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
2. Net Income	
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	
3. Add: Depreciation	
4. Add: Amortization	
5. Other (Explain)	
Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities	
6. Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable	
7. Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory	
8. Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges	
9. Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets	
10. Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	
11. Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments	
12. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities	
13. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
14. Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable	
15. Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable	
16. Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits	
17. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)	
18. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits	
19. Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital	
20. Less: Payment of Dividends	
21. Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired	
22. Other (Explain)	
23. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
24. Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)	
25. Other Long-Term Investments	
26. Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences	
27. Other (Explain)	
28. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	
29. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	
30. Ending Cash	



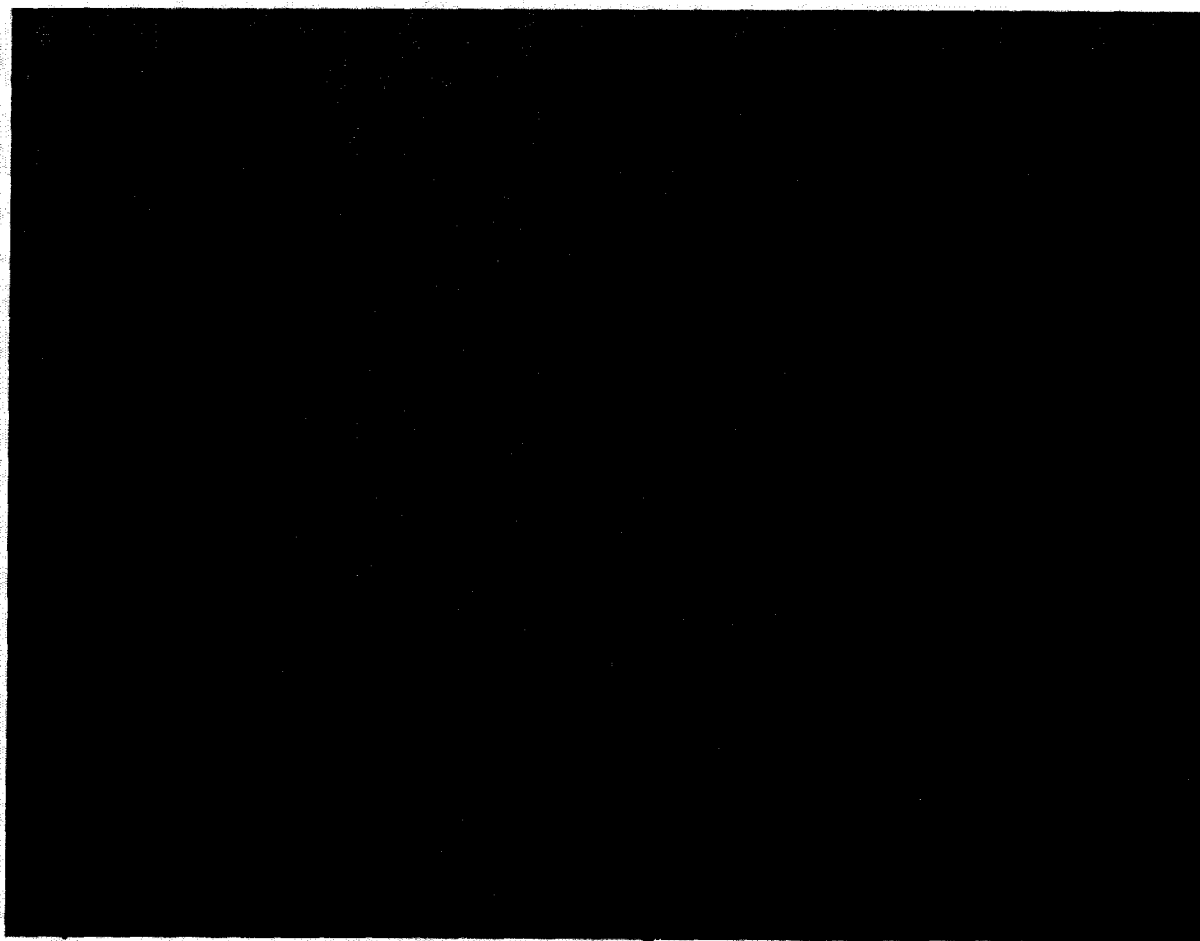


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